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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. KUROTANI et al.  
Application No.: 10/812,870  
Filed: March 31, 2004  
For: A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME  
Art Unit: 2818  
Examiner: T. HO

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


August 29, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 29, 2005, Applicants hereby elect **Species I** (Figs. 1-3) without traverse, noting that claims 1-5 are readable on the elected species.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 1374.43663X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,  
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